

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: SERIZAWA, et al.

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For: **GAS GENERATING COMPOSITION AND METHOD**

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND REMARKS

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is being filed contemporaneous with the filing of a Continuation Application under 37 CFR 1.53(b) to further prosecute the subject matter of originally filed claims 1 and 2, to represent and further prosecute claims 12-20 previously added to parent application S/N 09/856,849, and to present newly submitted claims 21-41 that are added hereby. Applicants' remarks herein are responsive to the specifically identified corresponding rejections set forth by the Examiner in a Final Office Action having a mailing date of November 19, 2003 in parent application S/N 09/856,849 and are submitted to be fully responsive thereto.